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In re Patent Application of:
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For: ESTROGEN EXTRACTION FROM
PREGNANT ANIMAL URINE

Examiner: Clark, Sara E.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Madam:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 24, 2009, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group II, claims 5, 7, 8, 9 and 11 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between the following Groups:

Group I - Claims 1-4, drawn to a process;

Group II - Claims 5, 7-9 and 11, drawn to an apparatus; and

Group III - Claims 6 and 10, drawn to an apparatus.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to non-elected claims at a later date if so desired.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21854-00070-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: July 22, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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